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D. LISBON 679, E. LISBON 703, F. LISBON 560, G. LISON
608, H. LISBON 689

1. DEPT HAS FOUND SERIES OF EMBASSY REPORTS ON PARTIES AND
THEIR PROSPECTS REF A-3) PARTICULARLY HELPFUL, BOTH AS
BACKGROUND SKETCH AND TIMELY STAGESETTER FOR ELECTORAL
CAMPAIGN. EACH REPORT IS ESPECIALLY VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION
TO OUR UNDERSTANDINGS OF PORTUGUESE POLITICAL DYNAMICS AS
THE CAMPAIGN UNFOLDS.

2. SUMMARIES OF EXPRESSO INTERVIEWS WITH SPANISH POLITICAL
LEADERS (REF F-H) ALSO HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY HELPFUL IN
ROUNDING OUT DEPT'S APPRECIATION OF THE SITUATION IN SPAIN
AND AMONG THE SPANISH OPPOSITION GROUPS. REQUEST THAT
REPORTING OF SUCH INTERVIEWS AND ON OTHER ACTIVITIES
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